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### Dates To Remember

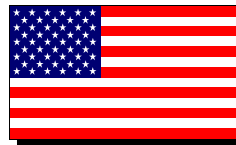
Every Wednesday night in December is Indoor .22 Pistol - 7:00 - 10:00p.

**December 31st - Your 2023 membership expires. Send in your 2024 completed renewal early. Do it now. You know what happens if it arrives after December 31st?**

### Addition to the 2024 Membership Renewal Application

**On the reverse side of your 2024 membership renewal application is an updated Waiver and Release of Liability form that must be completed and signed by all members over the age of 18. Failure to complete and sign the mandatory Waiver and Release of Liability form will result in the termination of your membership.**

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The Club's Directors extend their wishes to each member and their families for a peaceful and joyous holiday season, along with a healthy and prosperous New Year.

**Director's meeting Tuesday, December 19th, 7:30pm in the Fisherman's Cabin**

### FYI -

**Your 2024 membership renewal application is included as an insert in this newsletter. You must complete and sign the Waiver and Release of Liability on the reverse side.**

This will be the last one sent, but you can access the Club's website to print one or stop by the Fisherman's cabin and pick one up.

- ◆ **All memberships expire on December 31, 2023.** Send in your completed membership renewal form, along with your check or money order in the amount of **\$150.00**, plus any donation you wish to make to the fish fund or land fund.
- ◆ **ALL DUES MUST BE PAID or POST-MARKED by DECEMBER 31, 2023. ABSOLUTELY NO EXCEPTIONS!**
- ◆ **If you have already submitted your renewal form from the fall newsletter, there is no need to submit an additional renewal form.**
- ◆ Always obey the Club's rules. They are on the back of your membership card.

# Souderton - Harleysville Game, Fish & Forestry Association, Inc.

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## Fishing

**Bryan Haywood**

We'll stock 600 Rainbow trout (13"- 14") on December 29th. Fishing is closed on December 29th and will reopen on December 30th at 6:00am. You may fish with or without ice. If there is ice it must be at least four (4) inches thick to safely walk on. Test it. Don't forget to purchase your PA fishing license and trout stamp for 2024.



## Game Committee

**Kevin O'Driscoll**

Clean Christmas trees, free of ornaments and tinsel, will be accepted in the rifle range parking lot next to the firewood racks.

In addition to PA Game regulations, the following rules apply when hunting on Club grounds:

- ◆ No single projectiles while hunting with firearms on Club grounds, hunting is limited to shotguns and archery equipment.
- ◆ Hunters must wear a fluorescent orange hat for all hunting on Club grounds; this is in addition to any fluorescent orange required by PA game laws.
- ◆ Tree stands and ground blinds may not be left on Club property, and must be carried in and out each day.
- ◆ Hunters using tree stands are required to wear a full body harness while on Club property.
- ◆ Please hunt safely and respect safety zones while on Club property.
- ◆ No waterfowl hunting.
- ◆ **Hunters are advised violating PA State game regulations or Club hunting rules will result in loss of their membership.**

### \*\*\*\*\* New Club Website \*\*\*\*\*

Be sure to check out the Club's new website at [www.shgffa.com](http://www.shgffa.com) for the latest news and updates.

### Minimum Age for Unsupervised Shooters

As a reminder to all members, the minimum age for unsupervised shooters is 18 years of age. This applies to rifles, shotguns, handguns and archery. Anyone under the age of 18 participating in any of these actions must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. No exceptions.

**All members must display their Club badges at all times while on Club property and have a picture ID available. Always obey Club rules. They're printed on the back of your membership card. Additional rules/regulations are posted on the various ranges.**

## Official 2024 Membership Renewal Form

Enclosed with this newsletter is your 2024 official membership renewal form. The membership renewal form will also be available on the Club's website and in the Fisherman's cabin. Complete it and mail it in today!

## Venison Donation

Club members can help their neighbors in need by donating extra venison to Keystone Opportunity Center's Food Pantry in Souderton. Processed venison, especially ground meat, can be donated by calling **Clarice Foster**, the food pantry coordinator at (215) 723-5430, ext. 101. For additional information please contact **Randy Floyd** at (215) 416-1679.

## Member's Dependents

Any member who has a dependent son or daughter wishing to join the Club must come to the general membership meeting on Tuesday, January 16th, 2024 at 7:30p.

The dependent must be accompanied by a parent, bring a completed Dependent Membership Application, along with a signed SHGFFA liability release form, have proper I.D and proof of age, a school completion document, along with a check in the amount of \$150.00 check, made payable to Souderton- Harleysville Game, Fish & Forestry Association.

All forms and dependent criteria can be found on the Club's website ([www.shgffa.com](http://www.shgffa.com)).

A dependent son or daughter is defined as someone who is out of school, or the military, and no longer living at home, and was no longer dependent on their parent's support in 2023, and is 24 years old or younger.

### FYI -The Club's video cameras are all operational

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## Trap

Henry Kuestner

Our hunter nights are over. The turn out was down a little from last year. The winter series is going about the same as last year. The results for the summer series are as follows:



<u>High Gun for the year</u>	
1st - <b>John Hannahoe</b>	293x300
2nd - <b>Greg Rizzo</b>	285x300



### Class shoot-off results:

High gun **Claus Neuber** 49x50, 2<sup>nd</sup> High gun **Henry Kuestner** 47x50, Class A 1<sup>st</sup> **Mario Cesarone** 42x50, 2<sup>nd</sup> **Greg Rizzo** 38x50, Class B 1<sup>st</sup> **Anthony Santopietro** 45x50, 2<sup>nd</sup> **Pete Farrand** 44x50, Class C 1<sup>st</sup> **Larry Verichione** 46x50, 2<sup>nd</sup> **Diana Kuestner** 45x50, Class D 1<sup>st</sup> **Ken Weber** 39x50, 2<sup>nd</sup> **Dennis Degen** 33x50.

The schedule for next years summer series, which will begin sometime in early April, will be in the spring newsletter. Please remember all Club video cameras are operational. Hope to see you then. Thanks, **Henry**

## Pistol

Neil Johnson

Indoor bullseye shooting began on November 1st. This is an NRA challenge. It's you against the target. Shooting is .22 hand-guns only and done one-handed. NRA awards are issued as one progresses. This is also open to non-members for a fee and the signing of a release. If using the outdoor ranges, please continue to clean up your spent shells and place them in the hanging buckets, place target stands back, place misfires in the appropriate large buckets. Please remember all Club video cameras are operational. Be courteous, safe and always follow the posted rules.



## Rifle

Jake Ochnich

Indoor 4 position small-bore will begin on Tuesday nights in January. Check the Club's website for more information. Please remember to follow all rules and SAFETY FIRST. It's that that time of year again when the range gets busy. Please observe all range rules. Please keep range times to 30 minutes the two weekends before deer season and sighting in of deer rifles only.

### Range Rules

**Range Hours:** Monday through Saturday 7:00am - sunset & Sunday 9:00am to sunset.

- 1). Never handle a firearm while people are down range period!!!! You will lose your membership!!!
- 2). All firearms are to be unloaded and actions open while people are down range. Muzzleloaders will have the powder removed from the flash pan and primers removed from the nipple or breech plug.
- 3). Use the man down range sign even if your the only one using the range.
- 4). Always wear a blaze orange hat/vest, eye and ear protection.
- 5). No armor piercing or penetrating ammo, No tracer ammo, No 50 BMG or 416 Barrett ammo, No full auto or bump firing
- 6). No patterning of shotguns
- 7). Paper targets only. No exploding targets of any kind!!!
- 8). Targets are to be mounted on the horizontal boards provided. With bulls-eye between the upper and lower boards.
- 9). All shots are to be fired into the target impact areas.
- 10). All shooters must shoot into the target area in front of them. No shooting across the range!!!
- 11). No children on the range without an adult and No guests.



**Any violations of the above rules could result in the loss of membership! Please remember all Club video cameras are operational.**

## Archery

Jerry Hawkins

The Archery 3D shoots are finished for this year. The practice course is in good shape. Remember there is no shooting when anyone is down range. Broadhead side or field point side only. Please remember all Club video cameras are operational. Good luck hunting and be safe to everyone. Archery Committee.



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Please observe the trap shooting /fishing bell policy when shooting trap during fall / winter fishing. The bell must be rung 10 minutes prior to shooting and fishermen must move to another area.

Please remember all Club video cameras are operational

## Firewood

**Butch King**

The Club has firewood for sale at \$175 per cord / \$90 per half-cord, and it's ready for pickup. You'll have two (2) weeks from the point you place your order to pick it up or you'll lose your order. The Club is also now selling firewood for \$5.00 per bundle. The bundles are available at the building next to the Fisherman's cabin and you can deposit the money in the slot on the door at the Fisherman's Cabin door. Call **Butch** at (215) 723-8530.

## \*\*Orange Hat / Vest Policy\*\*

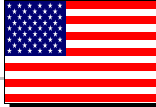




A Florescent orange hat or vest is mandatory on the rifle range and while hunting. Not to supersede Pennsylvania Game Commission laws. Recommended, but not mandatory for all others. All Pennsylvania Game Commission laws apply.

If you walk your dog on Club grounds, it is your responsibility to pick up after the dog.



# January 2024



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<u>A florescent orange hat or vest must be worn on the rifle range at all times.</u>	The Club needs volunteers to help with Committees and Club projects. See the Club's website for details	Don't forget to purchase your 2024 PA fishing license and trout stamp.	All members must display their badges and have a valid picture ID while on Club property. No exceptions	Please observe the trap shooting / fishing bell policy when shooting trap during fall / winter fishing.	12/29/23 Stock 600 Rainbow Trout (13" - 14") <b>No fishing until the 30th</b>	12/30/23 Open to fishing at 6:00am
<u>Please note:</u> Scheduled events are subject to change or cancellation. Check the Club's website for the latest info.	1 New Year's Day	2 Indoor Rifle Small Bore 4 Position 6:15pm	3 Indoor .22 Pistol 7:00 - 10:00pm	4 	5	6 
7	8 	9 Indoor Rifle Small Bore 4 Position 6:15pm	10 Indoor .22 Pistol 7:00 - 10:00pm	11	12	13
14 Indoor Rifle Small Bore 4 Position 6:15pm on the 16th	15 Martin Luther King Jr Day	16 General Membership Meeting 7:30	17 Indoor .22 Pistol 7:00 - 10:00pm	18	19 	20
21	22 Indoor Rifle Small Bore 4 Position 6:15pm on the 23rd	23 Director's Meeting 7:30	24 Indoor .22 Pistol 7:00 - 10:00pm	25	26	27
28 	29	30 Indoor Rifle Small Bore 4 Position 6:15pm	31 Indoor .22 Pistol 7:00 - 10:00pm	Attend the general membership meetings on the third Tuesday in January, March and October at 7:30pm	Check out the Club's new website at <a href="http://www.shgffa.com">www.shgffa.com</a>	4th- Last Quarter 11th - New Moon 18th - 1st Quarter 25th—Full Moon